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**Subject:** Update: State Board of Education May Agenda Item - Pre-kindergarten

Rates

**Attachments:** 05tcs.pdf

At the May meeting of the State Board of Education, two options for restructuring rates for the state's pre-kindergarten program, More at Four (MAF), were considered. The Board's interest in the topic was driven by a recommendation from the Joint Legislative Task Force on Early Education and Care that charged the Board to consider the current funding structure for the program.

Board materials from the meeting are attached for your review. <<...>>

After deliberate discussion, the Board gained consensus for the Option II which would require local administrative rates to be capped relative to the contractor type and **actual** rates paid to providers to be held harmless in the 2010-2011 program year. This option further requires the Department of Public Instruction to proceed with a deliberate study to define a funding plan suitable to sustain the MAF program into the future.

It is expected that Option II will be approved by action of the Board at its June meeting.

Thank you,

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